

VETERINARY MANAGEMENT OF DOMESTIC ANIMALS THAT POTENTIALLY EXPOSE HUMANS TO RABIES

Public Health. Contact Delaware Department of Agriculture for any Animal vs. Animal exposures at 302-698-4630 during

normal business hours (M-F, 8-430pm)

Did the animal bite or scratch a human or otherwise expose the human to saliva or neural fluids?

NO Submit completed Report of Potential Human Exposure to Rabies to No quarantine or testing required by Delaware Division of

Delaware Division of Public Health (Fax: 302-739-2549 or 302-223-1540).

Can the animal be placed on a 10 day quarantine?

YES NO

Educate pet owner regarding specifics of quarantine. Animal Control will follow-up with pet owner after report received.

If animal badly injured or inhumane to quarantine, euthanize and hold in cold storage (not freezer). If breed too large for cold storage, decapitate and hold head. Staff will respond the next business day to determine if testing is indicated.

NOTE: If an animal dies during a 10 day quarantine, please hold animal in cold storage and notify Delaware Division of Public Health (866-972-9705) for testing.

If an animal develops symptoms suggestive of rabies during a 10 day quarantine, please euthanize the animal, hold in cold storage and notify the Delaware Division of Public Health (866-972-9705) for testing.